

Superintendent's Compendium Of Designations, Closures, Permit Requirements and Other Restrictions Imposed Under Discretionary Authority.

Authority.

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Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument

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Introduction to the Compendium

The purpose of the compendium is to provide the public and park employees with a document that lists the special designations, closures, public use limits, permit requirements and other restrictions imposed under the discretionary authority of the Superintendent. The Superintendent's authority to implement these provisions is found in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), § 1.5(a). The compendium is available to the public on the park website and upon request. The compendium will be reviewed and updated annually or as needed to ensure adequate protection of the park's resources, provide for public safety and enjoyment and to address changes in public use patterns.

The provisions found in this compendium constitute only one of many tools designed to manage and protect Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument. It is important to utilize this document in conjunction with Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, which includes the full text of National Park Service regulations, including those authorizing the provisions outlined in this compendium. Chapter I, Parts 1-7, of Title 36, include sections addressing resource protection, public use, recreation, boating, vehicles and traffic safety, commercial operations, and special regulations. These regulations are applicable on all federally owned lands and waters within the boundaries of the park and lands under the administrative control of the National Park Service. In addition, certain regulations found within Title 36 are applicable on non-federally owned lands under the legislative jurisdiction of the United States.

"Determinations of Effect" are explained in the appendix section.

It is the intent of this compendium, in conjunction with park brochures, maps, signs and other media, to help provide the public and park employees with a clear understanding of park rules and regulations. Any questions or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Superintendent's Office. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5 (c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

I. 36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USE OR ACTIVITIES

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:



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<u>Visiting Hours:</u> The park is open every day of the year and there is no entrance gate. The Administration Office in Hagerman is generally open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. as staffing permits. The Visitor Center in Hagerman is generally open 7 days a week from Memorial Day to Labor Day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The remainder of the year it is limited to Thursday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. as staffing permits. Visitors are encouraged to phone (208) 837-4793 to confirm hours.

Public Use Limits:

Consistent with applicable legislation and Federal administrative polices, the Superintendent has established the following rules, designations, conditions and restrictions on the following park activities to protect park resources and ensure public safety; 36 CFR § 1.5 (a)(2):

Public use limits involve the following zones, as noted in the General Management Plan, 1996:

- The Natural Zone (82%) includes the Paleontological/Research Subzone, the Natural Environment Subzone, and the Hunting/Fishing Subzone.
- The Cultural Zone (12%) includes the Oregon Trail.
- The Park Development Zone (2%) includes areas allowing development of facilities.
- The Special Use Zone (3%) includes areas allowing NPS administration to be secondary to another agency.

In the Paleontological/Research Zone (57%), public access is limited to:

- 1. Designated parking areas and trails.
- 2. Areas stated in an approved permit,
- Accompaniment by NPS staff.

In the Hunting/Fishing Subzone, which is designated by Public Law 101-512 as that area within 50 feet of the high water mark of the Snake River, hunting may occur during and in accordance with Idaho State Wildlife regulated seasons and methods.

Closures:

The Superintendent may temporarily close park roadways, parking areas, facilities, waters, and all or portions of the park when such actions are deemed necessary to ensure public safety, protection of resources, or the avoidance of visitor use conflicts. The posting of signs, maps, media announcements, and the use of barricades and/or gates will identify such closures.

Road Closures:



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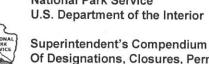
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- 1. Gravel roads leading to the Bell Mutual Irrigation Company pump stations are closed near the Snake River in two locations commencing at locked gates:
 - a) The southern fork leading to the now closed and partially removed Bell Rapids pump station, and
 - b) The northern fork at the last turn-around area before the Fossil Gulch pump station.
- 2. Two gated access roads leading to the abandoned gravel quarry north of the Snake River View Overlook
- 3. The roads at the south end of the Monument that parallel the Emigrant Trail and the Oregon Trail Area Closures:
- Closure of a two-acre Special Use Zone area around the Fossil Gulch pump station facilities.

II. 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT

- (f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the Superintendent is required:
- §2.4 (d) Carry or possess a weapon (except in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone during State regulated seasons), trap, or net.
- §2.5 (a) Research Specimens
- §2.10 (a) Camping
- §2.12 (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas.
 - (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas.
 - (a)(4) Operating a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51.
- §2.17 (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means.
 - (c)(1) The removal of a downed aircraft, components, or parts thereof.
- §2.23 Special Recreation Activities.
- §2.37 Solicitation or demand for gifts, money, goods or services.



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- §2.38 (a) Use, possession or storage/transport explosives, blasting agents.
 - (b) Use or possession of fireworks.
- §2.50 (a) Conduct sports event, pageants, regattas, public spectator attractions, entertainment, ceremonies, and similar events.
- §2.51 (a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views.
- §2.52 (c) Sale or Distribution of printed matter not solely commercial advertising.
- §2.60 (b) Livestock use and agriculture.
- §2.61 (a) Residing on federal lands.
- §2.62 (b) Memorialization Scattering ashes from human cremation.
- §5.1 Advertisements - Display, posting or distributing.
- §5.2 (b) Sale of intoxicants in certain park areas.
- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business requires a permit, contract, or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations.
- §5.5 (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television, which involves the use of professional casts, settings or crews, by any person other than bona fide newsreel or news television personnel.
 - (b) Still photography of vehicles, or other articles of commerce or models for the purpose of commercial advertising.
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- §6.9 (a) Operation of a solid waste disposal site.

III. **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

 Launching, landing or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve is prohibited except as approved by the superintendent.



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The Superintendent has determined the unrestricted use of unmanned aircraft is incompatible with the mission to protect park resources and to ensure visitor enjoyment within the park. Unrestricted use of unmanned aircraft could impact sensitive wildlife, result in unnecessary noise, and pose a potential danger to park visitors. This prohibition complies with the NPS Director's Policy Memorandum 14-05 (Unmanned Aircraft--Interim Policy; June 19, 2014).

◆ The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to electronic cigarettes ("vaping"): all public buildings, offices, caves, and the Lava Flow Campground Amphitheater.

Limitations on e-cigarettes are required to protect employees and visitors from second-hand nicotine.

36CFR§2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- (b) The Superintendent may restrict hiking ... to a designated trail ... pursuant to §1.5 and §1.7 Leaving a trail in violation of designated restrictions is prohibited. Hiking or other visitor use not covered by permit is restricted to the trail tread or walkway on the following trails/walkways:
 - All trails and open roads within the Paleontological/Research Subzone (57%), except any overlap in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone during State established seasons.

36CFR§2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION

- (c) The transporting of lawfully taken wildlife through the park is permitted under the following conditions and procedures:
 - Meet all state requirements.
- (e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light: All lands.

36CFR§2.4 – WEAPONS, TRAPS, AND NETS

In accordance with §2.4(a)(1-2), weapons traps, or nets may be carried, possessed or used at the following designated times and locations where the taking of wildlife is authorized by law in accordance with §2.2, or the taking of fish is authorized by law in accordance with §2.3:

 Weapons and their discharge are permitted only in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone, during seasons established by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game



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Trapping is prohibited on the Monument.

36CFR§2.15 - PETS

(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed in accordance with the following conditions:

 Removed from wheel-chair accessible trails (Snake River Overlook and Oregon Trail Overlook) and disposed in a trash receptacle.

36CFR§2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS

- (a) The following animals are designated as pack animals: horses, burros, mules and llamas.
- (b) The use of pack animals is permitted on the following trails, routes, or areas:
 - The Grandview Trail
 - The Regional Trail (includes the Rim to River and River segments)
 - The Emigrant Trail
- (g) Other conditions concerning the use of horses or pack animals:
 - Animals must have been fed Certified weed free hay within the 24 hours preceding use.

36CFR§2.19 - WINTER ACTIVITIES

- (a) The following park roads and/or parking areas open to motor vehicle traffic may be used for skiing, snowshoeing, ice-skating, innertubing, tobogganing, and similar winter activities under the conditions noted:
 - All monument trails and roads are open to cross-country skiing and snowshoeing when conditions permit.
 - Pump station road is open to innertubing and tobogganing when there is no vehicular traffic.

36CFR**§2.21 - SMOKING**

- (a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:
 - All non-residential federal buildings within Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument are designated as non-smoking areas, inclusive of GSA contracted facilities.



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36CFR§4.21 - SPEED LIMITS

- (b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:
 - 25 miles per hour on dirt roads within Monument.

36CFR§4.30 - BICYCLES

- (a) Bicycle use is permitted on park roads, parking areas, and on the following designated routes:
 - Pump Station Road
 - Regional Trail including the Rim Trail, Rim to River Trail, River Trail
 - Grandview Trail.

The following routes are closed to bicycle use:

- **Emigrant Trail**
- Oregon Trail Overlook.

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